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Application Number	10/720,231
Filing Date	November 25, 2003
First Named Inventor	Guo
Art Unit	1742
Examiner Name	J. Sheehan
Attorney Docket Number	HO004345

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply Response to 11/22, 2005 FINAL O.A.
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) /PTO-1449
- iv. ☒ Other PTO Return Postcard; copy of 1 cited reference.
2. **Miscellaneous**
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____
3. **Fees**
- The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to
- a. ☒ Deposit Account No. 23-0925. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) (deficiencies only)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) (deficiencies only)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 790 enclosed (Chk. #148988)
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Name (Print/Type)	<u>David G. Latwesen, Ph.D.</u>	Registration No.	<u>38,533</u>

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Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).		Complete if Known	
FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005		Application Number	10/720,231
		Filing Date	November 25, 2003
		First Named Inventor	Guo
		Examiner Name	J. Sheehan
		Art Unit	1742
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Attorney Docket No.	H0004345
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	(\$)	790	

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)	
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FEE CALCULATION							
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES							
	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
		Small Entity		Small Entity		Small Entity	
Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility - RCE	300	150	500	250	200	100	790
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
							Small Entity
Fee Description							Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent							50
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent							200
Multiple dependent claims							360
							180
Total Claims							
19 - 20 or HP = 0 x 0 = 0							
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20							
Indep. Claims							
1 - 3 or HP = 0 x 0 = 0							
HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3							
3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE							
If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).							
Total Sheets		Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof		Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	
- 100 =		/ 50 =	(round up to a whole number) x		=		
4. OTHER FEE(S)							
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)							Fees Paid (\$)
Other:							

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		Date 1/18/06

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.136. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 30 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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